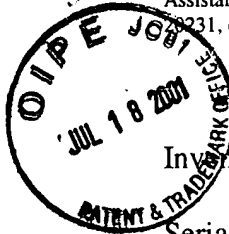


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:


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Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, please amend the
application as follows:

In the Specification

On page 11, line 33 please add --primers P7 and PBEST (3 min at 95°C, 30 cycles of 30
sec at 95°C, 30 sec at 56°C and-- after "PCR with..."

No fees are believed due at this time, however, please charge any deficiencies or credit
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Respectfully Submitted,



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